

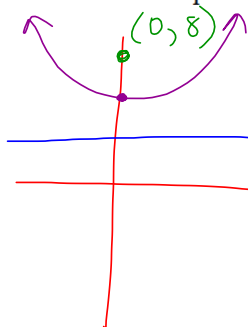
5/9/18 "I make the most of all that comes and the least of all that goes." -Sara Teasdale

HW: "Average Rate of Change" homework section
Test 2 on Wednesday 5/30

AIM: How do we find Average Rates of Change?

Warm Up:

Determine the equation of the parabola whose focus is $(0, 8)$ and whose directrix is the horizontal line $y = 2$?



Need

Vertex: $\frac{8+2}{2} = 5 \rightarrow (0, 5)$

P-value: $\frac{8-2}{2} = 3$ $p = 3$

$$y = + \frac{1}{4(3)} (x - 0)^2 + 5$$

OR

$$y = \frac{1}{12} x^2 + 5$$

Exercise #1: The function $f(x)$ is shown graphed to the right.

(a) Evaluate each of the following based on the graph:

(i) $f(0)$

1

(ii) $f(4)$

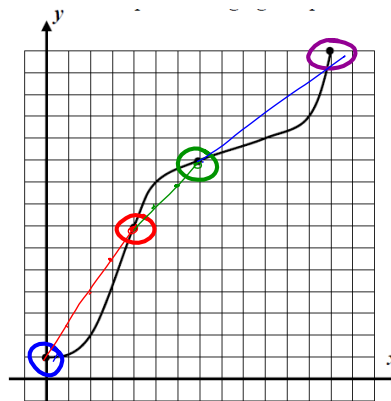
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(iii) $f(7)$

10

(iv) $f(13)$

15



(b) Find the change in the function, Δf , over each of the following domain intervals. Find this both by subtraction and show this on the graph.
 y-values *"x"*

(i) $0 \leq x \leq 4$

$y=1$ $y=7$

$7-1=6$

6

(ii) $4 \leq x \leq 7$

$y=7$ $y=10$

$10-7=3$

3

(iii) $7 \leq x \leq 13$

$y=10$ $y=15$

$15-10=5$

5

(c) Why can't you simply compare the changes in f from part (b) to determine over which interval the function changing the fastest?

The intervals (x-values) are not the same.

(d) Calculate the **average rate of change** for the function over each of the intervals and determine which interval has the greatest rate.

AROC *slope* $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

(i) $0 \leq x \leq 4$

$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

$\frac{7-1}{4-0} = \frac{6}{4} = 1.5$

Greatest

(ii) $4 \leq x \leq 7$

$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{10-7}{7-4} = \frac{3}{3}$

1

(iii) $7 \leq x \leq 13$

$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{15-10}{13-7} = \frac{5}{6} = .833$

.833

(e) Using a straightedge, draw in the lines whose slopes you found in part (d) by connecting the points shown on the graph. The average rate of change gives a measurement of what property of the line?

The Slope.

AVERAGE RATE OF CHANGE Average
> Slope

For a function over the domain interval $a \leq x \leq b$, the function's **average rate of change** is calculated by:

$$f(x) = y \quad \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{\text{change in the output}}{\text{change in the input}} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \quad \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Exercise #2: Consider the two functions $f(x) = 5x + 7$ and $g(x) = 2x^2 + 1$.

(a) Calculate the average rate of change for both functions over the following intervals. Do your work carefully and show the calculations that lead to your answers.

(i) $-2 \leq x \leq 3$

$y = 5x + 7$
 $= 5(-2) + 7 = -3$
 $(-2, -3)$

$y = 5x + 7$
 $= 5(3) + 7 = 22$
 $(3, 22)$

line

$AROC = \frac{22 - (-3)}{3 - (-2)} = 5$

$g(-2) = 9$
 $g(3) = 19$
 $(-2, 9) \quad (3, 19)$

$AROC = \frac{19 - 9}{3 - (-2)} = \frac{10}{5} = 2$

(ii) $1 \leq x \leq 5$

$y = 5x + 7$ $AROC = 5$ (slope)

$g(1) = 2(1)^2 + 1 = 3 \quad (1, 3)$
 $g(5) = 2(5)^2 + 1 = 51 \quad (5, 51)$

$AROC = \frac{51 - 3}{5 - 1} = \frac{48}{4} = 12$

(b) The average rate of change for f was the same for both (i) and (ii) but was not the same for g . Why is that?

$f(x) = 5x + 7$ (line)
 $g(x) = 2x^2 + 1$ (parabola)

f is a line whose slope is always the same.

Exercise #3: The table below represents a linear function. Fill in the missing entries.

x	1	5	11	b	45
y	-5	1	a	22	c

rate of change is same

$$\text{slope} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{1 - (-5)}{5 - 1} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Find b

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{1 - 22}{5 - b}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{-21}{5 - b}$$

$$\frac{15 - 3b}{-15} = \frac{-42}{-15}$$

$$\frac{-3b}{-3} = \frac{-57}{-3}$$

$$b = 19$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{-5 - a}{1 - 11}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{-5 - a}{-10}$$

$$-30 = -10 - 2a$$

$$\frac{-20}{-2} = \frac{-2a}{-2}$$

$$10 = a$$

To find:

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{1 - c}{5 - 45}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{1 - c}{-40}$$

$$\frac{-120}{-2} = \frac{-2c}{-2}$$

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$$60 = c$$